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1. CONSULATE REGULARLY RECEIVES COPIES OF REPORTS BY ARAMCO'S GOVERNMENT RELATIONS DEPARTMENT, WHICH HAS RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONSULTATIONS NEGOTIATIONS WITH SAG MINISTRY OF INTERIOR ON VISA MATTERS. FOLLOWING ITEM APPEARED IN ARAMCO REPORT OF APRIL 3 REGARDING ARAMCO REP'S MEETING WITH DR. JANUBI ON INTERIOR; "DR. JANUBI SAID THAT THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE LARGE NUMBER OF VISAS (70,000 SINCE 14 JANUARY 1978) BEING GRANTED TO FOREIGNERS. HE REQUESTED THAT ARAMCO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO HOLD ITS REQUESTS DOWN TO THE ESSENTIAL MINIMUM. HE IS ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT THE BALANCE OF NATIONALITIES OF EXPATRIATES COMING INTO THE KINGDOM, PARTICULARLY KOREANS."

2. CONSULATE WILL FOLLOW UP WITH ARAMCO REPS HERE REGARDING THEIR INTEPRETATION OF DR. JANUBI'S ALLEGED CONCERNS ON NUMBERS OF FOREIGN VISAS AND "BALANCE" OF NAITIONALITIES. HOWEVER, RIYADH OR JIDDA MAY WISH DISCUSS MATTER DIRECTLY WITH DR. JANUBI AND SOLICIT FURTHER EXPLANATION OF HIS CONCERNS. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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